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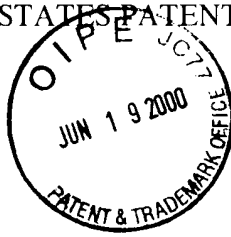
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY
LOADING POWDER MATERIAL INTO A MOLD



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Sir:

To complete the filing formalities in this application, and in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated May 31, 2000, a copy of which is enclosed, Applicants submit herewith the required Declaration properly executed by the inventor on May 15, 2000.

Also attached hereto is an Assignment with PTO-1595 for recordal, along with a check for the \$40.00 fee, and two (2) priority documents Japan 93335/1999 and Japan 65363/2000.

A check for the surcharge of \$130.00 is attached. Please also charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this authorization is attached for the Finance Branch.

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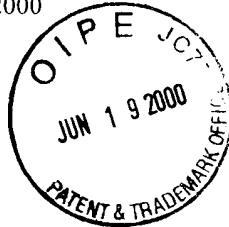
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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